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1. The Prieto Socialist faction is the group which directs the Alianza Nacional de Fuerzas Democráticas. The Spanish Socialist Party inside Spain is divided into several sectors; the Prieto group is the only one which is represented in the ANFD. The Republican parties are divided as well, and only one group is represented in the interior coalition body.
2. The Communists have not withdrawn their representative from the ANFD, although the Communist Party recently published a manifesto attacking indirectly the organization's conduct. The opinion is held by some elements of the ANFD that the Communists cannot continue to belong to it. However, since the Communists wish to keep abreast of decisions made in the councils of the ANFD, it is unlikely that they will withdraw from the organization unless forced to do so by a definite expulsion order.
3. The CNT uses the ANFD as a springboard. Leaders of the Confederation sometimes enter into negotiations with rightist elements, then, when it appears that their actions will be censured by the majority of CNT members, the negotiators are discredited and the CNT resumes its normal position. This statement is illustrated by the cases of Santa Maria and his predecessor. Some months ago, Santa Maria was sent to Lisbon to negotiate with Don Juan. At that time he was CNT delegate to the ANFD. He had no definite instructions except to sound out the situation and proceed accordingly. He was awed by the pomp which surrounds the Pretender and was outwitted by the latter's advisors. Consequently, Santa Maria, possibly believing that he was interpreting the sentiments of the ANFD, agreed to a series of points inadmissible to the ANFD. When he returned to Spain, he was repudiated by the CNT and the ANFD. Nevertheless, Santa Maria later went to France on a mission concerning the Republican Government-in-exile, with the approval of the CNT.
4. These irregularities in the ANFD are naturally disturbing to the monarchists and military leaders. It appears to them that the leftists have no real organization and no definite goal. General Juan Beigbeder y Atienza, in particular, insists that until the leftists achieve unity of opinion, nothing definite can be accomplished in the way of an understanding with the monarchists and military men. Beigbeder believes that when leftist unanimity is achieved, he will be able to secure the support of all the captain

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generalcies, except those of Madrid and Seville, to some definite plan for the replacement of Franco.

5. The ANFD is making efforts to broaden its base through the incorporation of representative sectors.

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